309 Yoakum Parkway #601 Alexandria, VA 22304 27 January 1985

Dear Mom and Dad,

It is a cloudy Sunday with the temperature about 32^{0} . I hope we don't get any snow. What we have gotten is pretty well gone. We went on our 10 mile run this morning and then I made muffins for breakfast. Since then I have been doing some homework and Vickie is listening to an opera. Tomorrow I will mail a letter I wrote to Stella concerning her trip to Europe.

I enjoyed talking to you last Thursday and will now wish you a happy 45th wedding anniversary. I hope you are celebrating this momentous occasion! We are looking ahead to Spring. On 31 May we will fly to Charleston, South Carolina to attend the annual Spoleto Festival of music, dance, and plays. We have a package ticket that includes five performances with the last on Sunday night. We thought it might be fun to drive down through Georgia and Florida afterward and perhaps return from Pensacola, Florida on June 7 or 8. If you could manage to fly out and join us then we would definitely make plans and it would be a lot of fun. We could take a canoe ride through the Okefenokee Swamp. Don't laugh, this is included in one of the Smithsonian tours we get information about! If you can't make it perhaps we will visit you. Vickie mentioned the possibility to her parents but we haven't heard from them yet. I think we all could get along very well and hope it can happen.

Work and class are keeping us very busy, a little too busy at times but at least the weekends are relaxing. We have two plays and two lectures lined up for the next two weeks so the fast pace will continue. I'll write again soon.

Love, fin + Vickie